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This amendment for the patent application identified above is in response to the Final Office Action dated November 12, 2004, which set a shortened statutory period for response that has been extended to May 12, 2005.